BellSouth's claim that deregulating broadband and granting them a monopoly will be

good for competition is without foundation. I chose a small ISP because of the superior

service and attention to needs that only a smaller company can provide. Granting Bell-  $\,$ 

South a monopoly is a bad idea. Bad for the industry as a whole, bad for competition and  $\$ 

choice, and bad for consumers. As a small businessman, I urge you to not grant Bell-South's request and to continue broadband regulation in a fair and balanced manner.

Thank you.